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[SENATE FILE No. 333.—JUDICIARY.]

A BILL

FOR AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REMOVAL OF BODIES FROM CONDEMNED
AND ABANDONED CEMETERIES, AND FOR THEIR RE-INTERMENT, AND FOR
CONDEMNATION OF ABANDONED AND UNUSED CEMETERIES FOR PUBLIC
USE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That when any cemetery, located within the limits of any village, incorpo-
2 ted town or city, has been condemned as harmful to public health, or as a nuisance, or when
3 the use thereof as a place for the burial of the dead for a period of five years, then and in
4 that case the council of said incorporated town or city, or the trustees of the township in
5 which said cemetery and village or some part thereof is situated, are hereby authorized
6 and empowered to provide at the expense of said incorporated town, city or township, lots
7 in the nearest available cemetery ; to disinter the remains of those buried in said condemned
8 or abandoned cemetery, and to reinter the same in said lots in said nearest available cem-
9 etery. In case of removals of remains as herein provided, it shall be the duty of said coun-
10 cil or trustees to remove from the old grounds and properly replace at the new ones any
11 monuments, memorial stones, fences or other artificial decorations.

SEC. 2. After the removal of such remains from said abandoned or condemned cemetery
2 as provided in section one hereof, the land or lots with streets and alleys in said condemned
3 or abandoned cemetery may be condemned by the council of said incorporated town or
4 city, or trustees of said township, for a public park, such condemnation proceedings to
5 be in manner provided by law for the condemnation of ground for public parks.